1	2	3	4	5
Delhi	99545	99503	33881	12610
Goa	12631	12066	2592	145
Guwahati	6014	6894	2781	1699
Hyderabad	158093	167095	26859	12928
Jaipur	51523	87336	14056	8800
Jalandhar	64219	80130	83392	73547
Kozhikode	150659	255266	61146	52552
Lucknow	99455	102299	83293	66840
Madras	119570	161772	23162	19862
Nagpur	10093	9609	1362	57
Patna	34848	35932	42104	38531
Trichy	160682	258307	56552	36354
Trivandrum	95307	157441	20862	10814
Total :	1648663	2084414	678376	472986

News item regarding Gurudwara in Pakistan

640. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to a news item published in the Tribune dated 3rd September, 1993 captioned "Gurudwaras made mosques;

(b) if so, whether Government have ascertained the actual position in the regard from Pakistan Government; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the information received in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government as wells as leaders of Sikn Jathas have drawn the attention of the Pakistan Government to the reported state of disrepair of the Gurudwaras in Pakistan. The maintenance and preservation of places of religious worship in Pakistan is essentially the responsibility of the Government of Pakistan.

Resolution passed by Parliament of Pakistan on Hazratbal Shrine

641. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan Parliament passed a resolution calling upon India to lift the saize of Hazratbal Shrine and urging the United Nations to take concerate steps for the implementation of its resolution for settlement of Jammu and Kashmir dispute;

(b) if so, whether India protested to Pakistan and conveyed to Pakistan that it is a violation of international law by interfering in other country's internal affairs; and

(c) if so, what steps Indian Government have taken to counter-attack the propaganda by Pakistan among foreign countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) On November 1, 1993, a Joint Session of the Parliament of Pakistan passed a resolution on the Hazratbal Shrine.

(b) and (c) Government did not lodge any spacific protest in this context. However, our Official Spokesman on 17 October, 1993 had stated that Pakistan will doubtlessly orchestrate statements and resolutions on the Hazaratbal issue in every possible forum and that Government of India would treat such propagandistic statements as prazen falsehoods and unacceptable.

Pakistan's attempts to internationalise the Kashmir issue are in violation of the Simla Agreement. Government have and will continue to take firm and necessary measures to apprise the international community of the facts regarding developments in Jammu & Kashmir in correct perspective.

Intimation regarding Haj Subsidy

642. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the subsidy on Haj is paid in cash to the pilgrims or the Haj Committee: if so, how much amount is required to be paid to each palgrims or the Haj Committee for Haj 1994.

(b) in which manner the subsidy involved in sea travel by the Haj pligrams is calculated;

(c) whether a ship will be made available for the Haj pilgrims to travel by sea, for Haj 1994;

(d) whether Government are still continuing to reimburse to the pilgrims for Haj 1993 the amount representing the differential between the official and the commercial rates of exchange applicable to the release of the foreign exchange to the pilgrims departure for Haj; and

(e) if Government have not yet paid by when this amount is expected to be paid to the 25,000 pilgrims who went for Haj in 1993 under the Haj Committee's arrangements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) A reasonable fare for pilgrims travelling by sea is decided by Government on the basis of the normal fare structure and taking also into account general financial capacity of the pilgrims and the level of fares fixed in past years. The difference between the fare so fixed and operational and other costs of making a ship available is absorbed by Government and its agencies.

(c) Plans for making a ship available for Haj 1994 are under consideration.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

US consulate advertisements for providing information for stabilsty of that Government

643. DR. ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether public advertisements have been issued on behalf of United States consulates offering moretary rewards to Indian citizens for providing information regarding individuals engaged in activities in this country aimed at the overthrow of the U.S. Government;

(b) whether prior permission of Government was taken for placing such advertisement; and

(c) if the answer to (b) be in the affirmative, whether Government have been assured of reciprocal facilities for our intelligence agencies for undertaking similar investigations in the United States of America?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) Government are aware of such public advertisements inserted by the US Government in certain publications published from abroad. These advertisements were not country specific.